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# PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The June issue of the Michigan Librarian has usually been used for announcements concerning the Annual Conference, but because this year the date is early, we feel it necessary to make some preliminary comments. Listings for rooms are given on the opposite page. The Hotel has indicated it would appreciate your using the form given. Your first impression may be that rates are high. Remember, this includes all meals, even the Friday night banquet. Arrangements move along rapidly, so get your reservation in early and join us for both fun and business August 31-September 2. Bus, train, and ferry schedules will be listed later. The first meeting is Thursday evening.



Committee chairmen for the conference now include —  
 General Chairman Mrs. Alma Huggins, Public Library,  
 East Lansing  
 Program Chairman Miss Dorothy Hansen, State Library,  
 Lansing  
 Exhibit Chairman Mr. Lynn Bartlett, Butzel Branch, De-  
 troit Public Library

If your section is planning a meeting at this time, make your plans now, so that it may be scheduled for a small or large room, luncheon, breakfast, or whatever you need. Make your arrangements with Mrs. Huggins.

Our budget for the year is given in this issue. The Executive Board recognizes that many committees should be doing work of equal importance to the Legislative Committee, that committee work cannot progress with one or no meetings during the year, that it costs money to travel. However, until there is more substantial recognition of the fact that state support of local libraries is necessary, it will mean that this committee's work comes first. Have you been doing your homework?

Our budget request for \$658,520 for State Aid to Public Libraries is in the hands of the budget department at this writing. There seems to be a tendency in the department to think of the State Library as useful chiefly for reference purposes. We, who have made use of the consultant services, the helps at Workshops, the loan of books to meet emergency demands, as well as to supplement our collections, know how important the State Library is to our local library's well being. Let's talk more about it to others.

The Spring District meetings are the opportunity for many about the state to meet with other librarians and trustees both in a social and business way. We want to urge each of you to make a great effort to attend, especially if you have not done so before. If it means that you might have to go alone, get one of your library patrons to ride along with you. It will do you both good.

We are sure you will all join with us in a "thank you" to Mary Marjorie Smith whose term as Treasurer of the Association ended with December. She stepped into the gap in February 1947 and has taken care of our money efficiently and conscientiously during 1948-49. We do hope she'll enjoy her well earned evenings at the concerts.

Committee appointments made since the January issue —

Legislative — Mrs. Thelma Kramer, trustee. Mrs. Kunze resigned.

Salary staff and Tenure additions to study Certification standards —

Helen Cooper, Alice LeFevre, Ann Ballou, Mrs. Clayton Campbell, Fred Searl  
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Memberships are coming in well this year. If you haven't sent yours as yet, don't delay. Let's make this the largest membership ever.

Alta Parks  
 President

# LIBRARY FUNDS REQUESTED

from

STATE OF MICHIGAN FOR 1950-1951

		Appropriated 1949-'50	Requested 1950-'51
What	Grants to local libraries	\$362,085	\$658,520
	Michigan State Library	265,703	331,301

## Why - Times Have Changed

The population has gone up and the dollar has gone down.

There are 993,000 more people in Michigan now than 10 years ago.

More people are using our public libraries.

More students and more adult education brings greater demands on libraries.

The 1950 dollar is worth  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the 1941 dollar — 64¢.

Costs of books, furniture, and supplies have risen sharply.

Library salaries have risen some, but have not kept pace with other salaries.

There is a shortage of librarians.

### GRANTS TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Appropriation for 1949-50	\$362,085
Adjustment to counteract 64¢ dollar (Estimated payments @ 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ per person)	203,672
Adjustment for increased population 993,894 additional people @ 9 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢	92,763
Total requested	\$658,520

### FUNDS FOR THE MICHIGAN STATE LIBRARY — Includes

Cost of all present services	\$297,251
New item: 3 bookmobiles, with staff, books	34,050

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## WHAT YOUR LEGISLATOR LIKES YOU TO DO

by  
*Representative Wade Van Valkenburg*

In 1947 when the bill for the increase in the gas tax was before the Legislature a group of gasoline dealers decided to pressure the membership into bringing about a defeat. Accordingly a meeting was held and the exact wording of a postal card was agreed upon. When these cards were received, sometimes in bunches of a hundred, and all in the same words, the obvious conclusion was that an attempt was being made to show power merely by numbers.

Such a method is bad at its best. The great majority of the Representatives and Senators are anxious to do a good job. They want to do what is best for the general good of the country.

In the illustration given above there were, also, many letters and cards favoring the bill. These came from farmers, traveling men, road builders and others who were interested in good roads. It is not the intent of this article to go into the issues of such a bill, but it is quite evident that there would be arguments on both sides of the question. On which side are the greater merits? That is the question which the letters should answer. Then the legislator would have something definite on which to base a conclusion.

Letters are very welcome at all times on all bills. Your legislator wants to know what the public thinks and wants. Therefore the writer should state his position, either for or against a bill, and give his reasons.

There are usually about a thousand bills before any regular session of the Legislature. These are bound to be on many subjects, many of which will be strange to the average member. They are bound to run all the way from complicated unemployment insurance to the question of fishing shanties on the ice.

There are, of course, other ways of taking up these matters in addition to the writing of letters. Most legislators are home during the week-end. They have no objections to a telephone call. In fact, this plan gives both sides the opportunity of asking questions. Also, the same is true of an interview. Members are always available at Lansing during the session and when they are home. As a matter of fact the personal interview with one who understands the question is extremely valuable and usually results in the best influence.

Now from the other side of the picture, the average Joe Doakes may wonder, or not know, exactly when a bill is being considered, or even introduced. How is he going to secure this information?

Of course one way is to follow the newspapers and radio accounts. This, however, is not complete as they report only on the matters of general public interest.

If you belong to a certain group such as the public school teachers, tavern keepers, or others, you probably have a representative in Lansing who is hired for the purpose of watching legislation. Suggest that he send to you a weekly letter with a brief review of each bill in which your organization will be interested.

Also there is a service, conducted by one of the clerks in the House, whereby a daily report is made of all bills introduced. However, this is rather expensive for an individual unless he has a large corporation or many financial interests.

In addition to the above it is possible for a reasonable number to secure daily copies of the journals. These will make a daily record of the new bills and any action taken on the old ones. Each Senator and Representative is allowed a mailing list of twenty-five names.

Now you may not know what to do in the event that you learn that a certain bill is introduced. When that happens write to your Representative for a copy. About a thousand copies of all bills are printed as soon as they are received and he will be glad to mail you one. Then you will be in a position to study it and write an intelligent letter concerning your views.

Then once you have learned about a bill and have definite views on the same, — don't wait. Many times letters are received after the subject has been discussed and voted upon. When that happens the only thing the member can do is to convey the message to the other branch of the Legislature if it is still under consideration. In the last session there was one case where a bill was passed by both houses and was before the Governor when there was a storm of protests. The only thing that could be done was to recall the bill and give it further consideration. In this case the bill was returned, but there is no way to force the Governor to do so if he refuses.

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## SENATE DISTRICT REPRESENTATION

1	17th, 19th and 21st Wards of Detroit and the Township of Gratiot and Grosse Pointe in Wayne County	Harold M. Ryan 14482 Parkgrove Avenue Detroit 5
2	9th, 11th, 13th, and 15th Wards of Detroit	Anthony J. Wilkowski 4809 Chene Detroit 7
3	3rd, 5th, and 7th Wards of Detroit and the City of Hamtramck	Henry R. Kozak 2178 Belmont Hamtramck 12
4	1st, 2nd, 4th and 6th Wards of Detroit	Patrick Walsh 13615 Thompson Street Detroit 3
5	All that part of the 8th, 10th, 12th and 14th wards of Detroit, south of the Detroit Terminal Railroad, adjacent to the Ford Highway	Charles S. Blondy 2605 Sturtevant Detroit 6
6	Counties of Kalamazoo and St. Joseph	Carlton H. Morris Kalamazoo
7	Counties of Cass and Berrien	G. Elwood Bonine Vandalia
8	Counties of Allegan, Barry and Van Buren	H. D. Tripp Allegan
9	Counties of Branch and Calhoun	Creighton R. Coleman Marshall
10	Counties of Jackson and Hillsdale	Haskell L. Nichols Jackson
11	Counties of Macomb, Lapeer and St. Clair	Bruce F. Clothier North Branch
12	Counties of Oakland and Washtenaw	George N. Higgins Ferndale
13	County of Genesee	Garland B. Lane Flint 3
14	Counties of Ingham and Livingston	Harry F. Hittle Lansing
15	Counties of Clinton, Eaton and Shiawassee	Bion L. Bates Ovid
16	2nd and 3rd wards of Grand Rapids	Perry W. Greene Grand Rapids
17	1st Ward of Grand Rapids and all the townships of Kent County	John B. Martin, Jr. Grand Rapids
18	City of Highland Park, That part of the 8th and 12th Wards of Detroit lying north of the Detroit Terminal Railroad, 16th and 17th Wards of Detroit, Townships of Greenfield, Redford, Livonia and Northville and Plymouth in Wayne County	James P. Hannan 1591 McKinstry Detroit 9
19	Counties of Lenawee and Monroe	Elmer R. Rorter Blissfield
20	Counties of Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac	Edwin W. Klump Harbor Beach
21	18th and 20th Wards of Detroit, Townships of Ecorse, Brownstown, Monguagon, Dearborn, Springwells, Taylor, Grosse Isle, Canton, Huron, Nankin, Romulus, Sumpter and Van Buren and the cities of Wyandotte, River Rouge, Lincoln Park, and Springwells in Wayne County	Robert A. Haggerty 9155 Roselawn Detroit 4
22	County of Saginaw	John P. Schuch Saginaw

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23 Counties of Muskegon and Ottawa

William C. Vandenberg  
Holland

24 Counties of Bay, Isabella and Midland

Frank Heath  
Bay City

25 Counties of Gratiot, Ionia, Mecosta and Montcalm

Colin L. Smith  
Big Rapids

26 Counties of Lake, Manistee, Mason, Newaygo and Oceana

Don Vander Werp  
Fremont

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# HOUSE DISTRICT REPRESENTATION

Alger District	Fay E. Benjamin (R) Cedar Springs (Deceased)
David F. Morrison (R) Germfast	Lapeer County
Allegan County	Louis C. Cramton (R) Lapeer
Edward Hutchinson (R) Fennville	Lenawee County
Alpena District	Rollo G. Conlin (R) Tipton
Richard H. Deadman (R) Alpena	Macomb County
Bay County	Howard R. Carroll (R) Mt. Clemens
Erwin Ratke (D) Bay City	William Romano (D) Van Dyke
Berrien County	Manistee District
Loomis K. Preston (R) St. Joseph	John D. Kruse (R) Manistee
William J. Cleary (R) Benton Harbor	Marquette County
Calhoun County	Alvin E. Richards (R) Marquette
Roy H. Brigham (R) Battle Creek	Mason District
Thomas C. Morgan (R) Battle Creek	Robert D. Davidson (R) Hersey
Charlevoix District	Midland County
Louis E. Anderson (R) Northport	Joseph A. Cavanaugh (R) Midland
Chippewa County	Monroe County
Victor A. Knox (R) Sault St. Marie	Eugene C. Betz (R) Monroe
Clinton County	Montcalm County
John P. Espie (R) Eagle (Deceased)	Walter G. Herrick (R) Carson City (Deceased)
Delta County	Muskegon County
Einar E. Erlandsen (D) Escanaba	Harry Sibley (D) Muskegon
Dickinson District	Newaygo District
Guido D. Vanenti (D) Iron Mountain	Clyde E. Cooper (R) White Cloud
Eaton District	Oakland County
Homer L. Bauer (R) Charlotte	Fred G. Beardsley (R) Oxford
Emmet District	Leaun Harrelson (D) Pontiac
Hugo A. Nelson (R) Indian River	Howard R. Estes (R) Birmingham
Genesee County	William S. Broomfield (R) Royal Oak
James J. Collins (D) Flint	Walter T. McMahon (D) Hazel Park
Leo J. Doyle (D) Flint	Osceola District
John F. Young (D) Flint	Harry B. Werner (R) LeRoy
Robert J. Chase (D) Flint	Ottawa County
Gladwin District	Henry Geerlings (R) Holland
Alexander M. Mac Kay (R) West Branch	Presque Isle District
Gogebic District	Emil A. Peltz (R) Rogers City
Louis Mezzano (D) Wakefield	Saginaw County
Grand Traverse District	Clarence F. Graebner (R) Saginaw
Arnell Engstrom (R) Traverse City	Arthur C. Hauffe (R) Saginaw
Gratiot County	David E. Young (R) Saginaw
T. Jefferson Hoxie (R) St. Louis	Sanilac County
Hillsdale District	Alpheus P. Decker (R) Deckerville
James I. Post (R) Hillsdale	Shiawassee District
Houghton District	Adrian deBoom (R) Owasso
Harry Hermann (R) Laurium	St. Clair County
Huron County	Harry J. Phillips (R) Port Huron
G. Kirk Haley (R) Bad Axe	St. Joseph District
Ingham County	Bert A. Dickerson (R) Constantine
Harold W. Hungerford (R) Lansing	Tuscola County
Robert M. Montgomery (R) Lansing	James Kirk (R) Vassar
Jacob Schepers (R) East Lansing	Van Buren County
Ionia County	Glenn B. Robinson (R) South Haven
Bert J. Story (R) Belding	Washtenaw County
Iron District	Lewis G. Christian (R) Ann Arbor
Carl G. Lindquist (R) Iron River	Joseph E. Warner (R) Ypsilanti
Isabella District	Wayne County
Hugh D. Johnston (R) Rosebush	Edgar Currie (D) Detroit
Jackson County	N. Dee Edwards (D) Detroit
John W. Bannasch (R) Jackson	John J. Fitzpatrick (D) Detroit
Floyd E. Town (R) Jackson (Deceased)	Martha W. Griffiths (D) Detroit
Kalamazoo County	Joseph J. Kowalski (D) Detroit
Wade Van Valkenburg (R) Kalamazoo	Chester Lewandowski (D) Detroit
Ural S. Acker (R) Kalamazoo	David L. Lindsay (D) Detroit
Kent County	Frank A. Mahoney (D) Detroit
Andrew Bolt (R) Grand Rapids	Stanley Novak (D) Detroit
Edward A. Borgman (R) Grand Rapids	Joseph G. O'Connor (D) Detroit
John D. Karel (R) Grand Rapids	
Louis G. Schooley (R) Grandville	

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Michael J. O'Brien (D) Detroit  
Thomas C. O'Brien (D) Detroit

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Another matter which should be understood is the public hearings held before committees. If you represent a group and are interested in any special bill, learn to which committee it has been referred, and contact the chairman. He will arrange for a hearing at a definite time when the interested parties may appear before the whole committee and express their views. To illustrate, when the bill to place a tax on cigarettes was before the taxation committee, the tobacco dealers asked for a hearing. They did not object to the bill as a whole, but wished to have certain amendments made. Accordingly, the bill was read paragraph by paragraph and their leader suggested the changes which they wished to have made which would be of benefit to their business. For each change, they gave their reasons and most of them were adopted. In this way, those who are familiar with the subject under consideration can make suggestions which will improve the bill when it becomes law. The committee room is the place to do this rather than to attempt it by amendment on the floor of the House where discussion must be somewhat limited.

Now it might be that you have some subject on which you believe that a law is necessary. If so, contact your Representative or Senator, immediately after election. A great many people wait until the session is well along. This is a mistake as a resolution is introduced in the 12th week of the session for final adjustment. This will provide for the time when no more bills can be introduced. Obviously a bill must be in before that time. Also all bills have to be drafted in the depart-

ment organized for that purpose. When they can work before the session begins they are not under pressure and the result will be much more satisfactory. It is not necessary to wait until after January 1st, as that department functions all the time and will draft a bill upon the request of any elected member.

Now to illustrate and sum up what I have attempted to explain: in the session of 1951, if not in the 1950 special session, there will be introduced a bill to regulate the amount of charges and interest on money borrowed to purchase automobiles. Here is a question of interest to that industry and the general public. All organizations engaged in that business should secure copies of the bill, study it and make suggestions. What is a fair charge in light of the risks involved? They can answer that question. Also public groups can do the same. Certainly no legislator wishes to harm business in any way, but the public should be protected by a fair and workable law which will be for the benefit of all concerned.

In conclusion, it must be born in mind that every legislator realizes that he is working for the public and is anxious to do a good job. He wants to hear from you and know your views especially on subjects which are highly technical.

Also remember that about ninety percent of the letters which he receives are protests in one form or another. If he has done a good job, especially in those cases where he has stood up for the rights of the public in the face of bitter, selfish opposition, let him know. It will give him the courage to go on and do even a better job in your behalf in the future.

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|----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 27 | Counties of Antrim, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Missaukee and Wexford              | James T. Milliken<br>Traverse City |
| 28 | Counties of Alcona, Arenac, Clare, Crawford, Gladwin, Iosco, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oscoda and Roscommon | Charles T. Prescott<br>Prescott    |
| 29 | Counties of Alpena, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Montmorency, Otsego, Presque Isle                | Frank Andrews<br>Hillman           |
| 30 | Counties of Alger, Chippewa, Delta, Luce, Mackinac, Menominee and Schoolcraft                      | William A. Ellsworth<br>St. Ignace |
| 31 | Counties of Marquette, Iron, Gogebic, and Dickinson                                                | Albert J. Wilke<br>Iron Mountain   |
| 32 | Counties of Houghton, Baraga, Keweenaw, and Ontonagon                                              | Leo H. Roy<br>Hancock              |



## THE KALAMAZOO PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVES ITS BUSINESS COMMUNITY

By William Chait\*

Many articles and some books have appeared on the subject of library service to businessmen. Their major emphasis has been on materials needed by the library to serve this group. This emphasis is important since many of us do not know what type of material this group requires.

The problem which faced us in Kalamazoo was not one of materials but one of use. We felt that we could serve many more of our business people, if they would only come to us, with the material which we already had. Of course, we were also interested in keeping up the collection, and we are working on that constantly. Perhaps we had an additional goal: In a Chamber of Commerce survey held in 1947, the need for a new library building was placed last by the business men although the women's clubs placed it first and other groups ranked it high in the needs of the city. We were definitely interested in winning over this group as well as in showing them how the library could be of service to them.

As a new librarian, I was invited to address one of the luncheon clubs in the community and I took advantage of this opportunity. Instead of telling this group about the library's needs and asking for assistance, I spoke about the services the library could offer to them as businessmen. The response was immediately apparent. Within the next two months I was asked to speak at several of the other service clubs, and requests began to come in from women's groups, wives of men who had heard me. Aside from the favorable comments which came to me directly, the reference staff reported an influx of questions on the day I gave the talks and for a few days afterwards. The prevailing comment was that they did not know the library had these materials, and this in spite of our active newspaper publicity and display windows.

During the summer and fall of 1948, we also began to think about other means of reaching business people more directly. We approached the Chamber of Commerce and asked them if we could distribute book lists with their regular monthly mailing. They

were delighted to cooperate and agreed to distribute our lists to the members of the Chamber of Commerce, the Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Foremen's Club, a total of 2,179 individuals. We gave this publication the uninspired name of "News Letter," a red heading on an 8½ x 11 sheet of white paper, and we had it multilithed commercially. The first issue included a letter stating the purpose of the publication, an invitation to use the services of the library and a general description of the materials which we have.

The popularity of this publication was evidenced by requests which have come from other organizations which now distribute it. The Accountants Association, the National Association of Cost Accountants, the Sales Executives Club and the Life Underwriters Association have been added to our original list. Other groups would like to have it but they do not have mailings to their members, and the library cannot assume the expense of mailing several thousand copies.

During 1949, we issued three News Letters. The first one dealt with stocks and bonds, government aids for business and labor information. The second listed trade and technical publications and the third dealt with selling. The first issue for 1950 is on personnel work. And with that, we will probably interest our local organization of personnel workers in the News Letter. The use of simple line illustrations in black and white helps make the publication attractive. We hope to put out four issues during 1950, using State Aid funds for this purpose. If we continue to get the response which we have been getting, we will feel sure that it is money well spent.

The library does profit from its relations with business groups in more tangible ways. We followed the lead of the Grand Rapids Public Library and approached our Accountants Association to help us build up our collection in the field. The result is that they formed a joint committee with the Cost Accountants group and they have paid for \$50 worth of books each year which this committee helped us select. A larger sum will be made available if the use of the books purchased warrants it, and we believe that the results

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\*Based on a talk given at the luncheon of the Public Relations Committee, October 5, 1949. Mr. Chait is Librarian of the Kalamazoo Public Library.

## MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Michigan Library Association Advisory Council met with the Executive Board at the Lansing Public Library on December 6 to coordinate plans and programs of action for the year 1949-50. District chairmen met simultaneously with Miss Young to plan the work of the districts and their district meetings.

The President reviewed the duties of the Membership, Planning, and Public Relations Committees as discussed in the Executive Board meeting. The functions and duties of each committee as reported at the December 4, 1948 council meeting, additional duties, and further plans of each of these committees were discussed as follows:

**MEMBERSHIP:** "This committee stimulates interest in membership in the Michigan Library Association." The council added "and designates responsibilities for collecting association dues."

**PLANNING:** "It is the work of this committee with the Executive Secretary to coordinate the work of all other committees." Reports should now be sent to the Executive Secretary instead of the Planning Committee. The Chairman asked whether the committee should do a specific job or long range planning. Long range planning was favored by the group. It was suggested that the committee study the objectives of the association so that the work of the association as a whole, rather than individual committees could be coordinated.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:** "... this committee interprets the Michigan Library Association to other organizations." Mr. Chait, Chairman of the Committee, discussed several projects being considered by the committee. These promotional projects include: Luncheons, to promote closer cooperation between civic and service clubs and the community libraries of Michigan, on a local level. A speaker's bureau available in many areas. Work with the legislative committee in promoting libraries and state aid. Work jointly with the Recruiting Committee to sponsor luncheons for vocational councillors in high schools. It seemed best for the initiative on this to be taken by the Recruiting Committee.

**PUBLICATIONS:** "The Michigan Librarian and any other printed material issued under the imprint of the Michigan Library Association is the work of this committee."

Miss Stokes, editor of *The Michigan Librarian*, presented the manual of procedure drawn up in 1945. It was referred to the Publications Committee for study and action.

**SALARY, STAFF, AND TENURE:** "It is the obligation of this committee to study conditions of salary and staff welfare on a state level." Mrs. Fyan reported that there is still much to be done on salary and staff welfare. Since the State Association of Supervisors is working on retirement she suggested that we keep watch of their action.

**SCHOLARSHIP:** "This committee administers the scholarship funds of the association." The board had no specific suggestions for replenishing the scholarship fund but asked that the committee do some thinking and working on plans. Recommendations of the Scholarship Committee included a scholarship workshop. A motion was made that the M.L.A. districts sponsor a scholarship workshop by raising funds in their areas. The motion was amended as follows: "These funds should be turned in to the general treasury, earmarked scholarship; the scholarship of approximately \$20.00 to be awarded by the Scholarship Committee." The motion as amended was seconded and carried. The Scholarship Committee also recommended that continued effort be made to get the Bement Fund into use. The committee is to work out a policy of time loan for repayment.

**RECRUITING:** "It is their purpose to disseminate information about librarianship as a career." The Chairman, Claxton Helms, reviewed the projects suggested or begun by the previous Recruiting Committee as given in the annual report of the committee and stated in addition to these the committee would consider sponsoring luncheons for school guidance councillors and librarians to acquaint the councillors with library work.

**NOMINATING:** "This committee submits a slate of officers for the organization." A suggestion was made to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee by a member of the Michigan Library Association that each candidate be chosen not only for his qualifications for office but that he be asked his stand on such matters as intellectual freedom, the Fourth Activities Report, etc. In order to bring the matter before the Execu-

## SUMMER SESSION 1950

June 26 - August 4

The Department of Librarianship at Western Michigan College of Education in Kalamazoo announces the following courses:

Reading Interests of Children	3 hours
Reading Interests of Youth	3 hours
Reference Service	3 hours
Selection of Reading Materials	3 hours
Organization of Library Materials	2 hours
Library Observation and Practice	1-3 hours
Story Telling	2 hours
The Library in the Modern Community	2 hours

Miss Mate Graye Hunt, Assistant Director, will be in charge of the Summer Session and Dr. Florence Van Hoesen of the School of Library Science at Syracuse University will return as Visiting Professor. Miss Hannah Hunt, Young People's Librarian at the Rockford Public Library, Rockford, Illinois, and Miss Marie Gudde, Librarian of the Paw Paw Training School, will also be Visiting Professors.

Applications for admission to the Summer Session should reach the Department of Librarianship by June 1. Please send requests for catalog and information to the Director, Alice Louise LeFevre.

tive Board for discussion Mr. Chait moved that the Nominating Committee be instructed to discuss these matters with the candidates. The group in its discussion felt that this would be a perfect excuse for refusal of office and that the suggestion was impractical. Motion not carried.

**ELECTIONS:** "This committee counts and records the votes at the annual election of officers."

**LEGISLATIVE:** "Their function is the implementation of any library legislation." Miss Ferguson, Chairman of the Committee, analyzed the request of \$658,520 which is being asked for State Aid to Public Libraries for 1950-51. She said that the committee will need lots of help. Both human interest stories and statistics are wanted. The group favored finding out what each library is doing, but not what they intend to do with the extra money if received. The request that the committee be enlarged to include field members, appointed by senatorial districts, to serve as liason between the committee and the association members was granted. The legislative committee will support the State Board for Libraries' request for 3 bookmobiles, 1 each to work out of Lansing, Cadillac, and Marquette. The bookmobile request includes the following:

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making a total of -----	\$34,050.

### From the Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting of December 6

The President read a letter from Mr. Raymond Lindquist, Chairman of the A.L.A. Federal Relations Committee, asking that the Michigan Library Association contribute a sum of \$100.00 for a 2 year period to re-establish the A.L.A. Washington office on a full-time basis. He stated that the committee is not soliciting divisions and publishers. Motion was made and carried that we place an item of \$100.00 in the budget for the maintenance of the A.L.A. office in Washington with a recommendation to the 1950-51 Executive Board that the same amount be included in its yearly budget. In its discussion the group felt that the contribution was justified in that we are a strong state organization.

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## SCHEDULE OF MLA DISTRICT MEETINGS, 1950

District	Place	Date	Chairman
I	Niles	April 20	Maureen Fisher
II	Jackson	April 13	Mary Payne
III	Detroit	April 19	Marion Wilcox
IV	Holland (Hope College)	May 5	Ruth Abrams
V	Saginaw	April 26	Beatrice Prall
VI	Manistee	May 16	Josephine Hall
VII	Hancock	May 20	Alice Clapp

## THE PUBLIC LIBRARY INQUIRY

At the joint meeting of the State Board for Libraries and the Executive Board of the Michigan Library Association in Lansing on January 13 the features of the afternoon were book reviews by Mrs. Fyan and Miss Parks of two of the books which have been published as part of the Public Library Inquiry.

Miss Parks reviewed Bernard Berelson's *The Library's Public* which she said is so full of statistics that it must be closely read to be understood and appreciated. She raised some of the questions which Mr. Berelson posed as of prime importance in deciding the future course of our public libraries: Since we know that our libraries serve only a small minority of our citizens (10% of our population accounts for 70% of book reading) and since we know that it is readers of superior education who use the library most (10% of readers account for 50% of book reading), should we distribute light fiction to the extent we do (60 to 65% of total circulation) or should we recognize our obligation as an educational institution supported by public funds by trying to achieve socially valuable ends? Should we continue our long tradition of recreational service, keying our acquisitions to the demand of majority taste, or should we serve chiefly the serious reader, the culturally elect? If we build new library buildings, should we locate them in an area where we know there is a

concentration of our reading public or should they be placed where accessibility might lead non-readers to become aware of the library?

Mrs. Fyan reviewed Oliver Garceau's *The Public Library in the Political Process*, high-lighting especially two of the subjects the book stresses. She pointed out that Mr. Garceau's idea of library service to a state is directly the opposite of what Michigan has been following, for he suggests that there should be several large regional branches operated by the state library, locally controlled, instead of the many local libraries such as we now have in Michigan. It has been the aim of the Michigan State Library not to prescribe what these local libraries should do, but to reinforce their efforts by its backing and supplementary services.

Mrs. Fyan also brought out Mr. Garceau's statement that only libraries having a budget of at least \$100,000 could be effective. She mentioned that a few years ago the amount of \$10,000 was considered the lowest possible budget for a properly functioning library, but that amount rose to \$25,000, then to \$40,000, and has now risen to \$100,000. She suggested that we should not blindly accept the interpretation of the people who carried out the Public Library Inquiry, but after carefully studying their findings, we should decide policies in relation to our own experience.

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## CATALOG SECTION

The year 1950 marks the 50th anniversary of the A.L.A. Division of Cataloging and Classification.

The officers of the Michigan Regional Group will hold a meeting on February 6th, 1950 to discuss the program of the spring meeting. In accordance with the 50th anniversary of the Division on June 11th, we tentatively set the date of the annual meeting for June 9th, 1950. Place and main speaker will be announced later.

Miss Esther A. Smith of Ann Arbor, will honor us by giving a review of the Division history.

Mr. Custer, Processing Director, Detroit Public Library kindly agreed to represent our section at the Midwinter Conference in Chicago and will report matters of interest at our spring meeting.

Suggestions of any kind from the membership will be gratefully accepted. If any one is interested in helping with table decorations, place cards, etc. for the spring luncheon meeting, please let us know! Please send names of prospective members, so that we can mail invitations to them.

We hope and know that all will cooperate in making our 1950 meeting a real success. Please address all communications to your chairman, and thanks for any help you may be kind enough to offer.

(Mrs.) Frances Joan Brewer, Chairman

## CHILDREN'S SECTION

Spring Institute on Children's Reading, May 12-13, 1950 (Friday and Saturday), Flint, Michigan

Headquarters—Durant Hotel, Flint, Michigan

Friday morning (May 12)—Book Reviews

Friday noon—Luncheon at Cromer's Restaurant

(Speaker to be announced)

Friday afternoon—Meet the authors

(Details later)

Friday evening—Dinner meeting at Durant Hotel

(Speaker to be announced)

Saturday morning (May 13)—Business meeting

Saturday noon—Luncheon meeting at Durant Hotel

(Speaker to be announced)

Exhibit of new books

Louise Singley, Chairman

## REFERENCE SECTION

The Reference Section of M.L.A. has been invited by Miss Margaret I. Smith, Reference Librarian, General Library, University of Michigan, and former chairman of the Section, to hold a Spring meeting in Ann Arbor. Plans are still tentative, but the meeting will probably be held late in April or in May and announcements will be sent to public and college libraries in the state.

(Mrs.) Mildred Kumer Hulme,  
Chairman

## TRUSTEES SECTION

The officers and a Planning Committee of the Trustees Section met at the State Library January 24 with Mrs. William Kramer, Section Chairman, presiding.

The question of trustees dues, plans for the spring meetings, a Memorial Fund for Miss Packard, topics for consideration on Trustees' Day at the Library Workshop and a discussion by Mrs. Fyan centered on the book, *The Public Library in the Political Process*, were on the agenda.

Mrs. Kramer was elected as delegate to the A.L.A. Midwinter Conference in Chicago. Five districts were represented.

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## JUNIOR MEMBERS SECTION

Four members of the Michigan Junior Librarians were present at the meeting of the Junior Members Round Table held on January 27 at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, during the Midwinter Meeting of the American Library Association. Chairman Elizabeth Chambers of the University of Louisville Library led a discussion on "Why J.M.R.T.?" The consensus of those present was that the J.M.R.T. should be continued and it seems hopeful that out of the meeting came a movement to put new life in the organization. Miss Chambers appointed a Nominating Committee consisting of Miss Ruth Hare, University of Louisville Library; Miss Helen M. Miller, Jefferson City and Cole County Libraries, Jefferson City, Missouri; and Forrest Alter, Detroit Public Library, Chairman. The members would appreciate suggestions for nominations for the positions of Vice Chairman (Chairman-elect) and three members-at-large of the Executive Board.

One of the neatest entries at Chicago for the Field Recruiting Awards was the one submitted by the Lansing Junior Librarians.

Detroit Junior Librarians welcomed in 1950 at a New Year's Eve Party held at the home of Lillian Eross. On January 18, the group held a Phillips 66 meeting at the Highland Park YWCA under the direction of Martha Schulz and Louise Rice. Preceding the discussion of the UN Bill of Rights, the group had dinner in the Y's cafeteria; after the formal meeting, there was a social hour with group singing, Chinese checkers, and Canasta. Four Juniors drove down from Port Huron for the meeting.

A group of the Detroit Juniors interested in singing has been meeting from time to time for a bit of harmonizing. Scheduled for February were Winter Sports Day on the twelfth

and a trip to the Museum of the Edison Institute on the nineteenth to see a display of models of inventions of Leonardo da Vinci. The winter outing included a steak dinner at the home of Frances Geddes. The trip to the Edison Institute was arranged by Dearborn members of the Detroit Juniors who invited the group to a tea at the Dearborn Library before the museum visit.

On March 3 the Detroit Juniors presented a musical program to raise money for the Josenhans Scholarship Fund.

Forrest Alter, Chairman

## PLEASE NOTE

The tribute to Miss Packard in the December 1949 issue of *The Michigan Librarian* was written by Mr. William Webb, Librarian of the Flint Public Library, and Miss Dorothy Olmstead, Librarian of the Genesee County Library.

## Corrections

In the last issue of the *Michigan Librarian* Robert Orr was incorrectly listed in the WHOS WHO as Chairman of District 1. The Chairman of that District is Maureen Fisher, Niles Public Library.

The name of the Executive Secretary was incorrectly spelled and her address was also wrong. The proper information is: Mrs. Margaret Wylie, 341 Southlawn, East Lansing.

Mrs. Dorothy T. Hagerman should have been listed as a member of the Planning Committee.

The officers of the Trustees Section were incorrectly listed. They should be as follows:

Chairman: Mrs. Wm. Kramer, 4845 Elizabeth Lake Road, Pontiac.

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## PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

All committee sections and district officers are urged to send the Public Relations Committee announcements of their activities and plans so that releases can be sent to the press. Please remember that your Public Relations Committee cannot publicize the work of the Association unless you give them the raw material. Send your information to Mr. William Chait, Chairman, Public Relations Committee, Kalamazoo Public Library, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The M.L.A. Scholarship Committee is planning and working toward increasing the funds for the scholarships which it administers. At the M.L.A. Council meeting on December 6, 1949 endorsement was given to the proposal that the various districts sponsor a "scholarship workshop for raising funds in their areas."

A \$25.00 contribution to this fund has been received. Anyone wishing to make such a contribution should send check to H. Glen Fitch, M.L.A. Treasurer, Hillsdale College Library, Hillsdale, with "earmarking" for scholarships.

The workshops for which scholarships are granted are scheduled as follows:

Waldenwoods, Hartland, June 12-17, 1950

Camp Shaw, Chatham, June 26-30, 1950

St. Mary's Lake, Battle Creek, July 10-14, 1950

Higgins Lake, Roscommon, July 24-28, 1950

Applications for scholarships should be sent to Miss Mate Graye Hunt, Chairman,

M.L.A. Scholarship Committee, Department of Librarianship, Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

The second fund, the Constance Bement Scholarship Fund, is granted for professional study in the library field. The committee is continuing its efforts to get this fund into use and to formulate a policy concerning time for the repayment of the loan. For information about either one of the funds or scholarships and loans, address the Chairman of the Committee.

*(Continued from page 11)*

will be very satisfactory to the accountants. They have also been invaluable in advising us on the discarding of obsolete materials. Other groups have become interested in this arrangement, and we have had contributions of funds from the real estate and insurance groups so that we could buy expensive books for the community which their members might want to use. The personnel and insurance groups are planning to organize a regular committee and spend a specific sum each year in the same manner as the Accountants Association.

What are the results of these activities? It is difficult to measure them. We know that they have brought us many new users but we cannot give any specific number. We know that many men who never came to the library are now interested in it and drop in occasionally. We know that some practical businessmen think that we are important enough as a service agency to spend money on books for the library. We know that there are still many thousands who don't use our services and we will continue to try to reach them.

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## LETTER FROM GERMANY

*The letter below, sent to various friends by Sarita Davis, was offered to the MICHIGAN LIBRARIAN by Leona Hough of Wyandotte so that Miss Davis' many friends could hear how she is faring abroad.*

**7755 Dependents School Detachment  
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Dear Friends:

The trip across the Atlantic by Constellation in August did not change me. Although waves of material for letter writing hit me, I still cannot meet John Mason Brown's first requirement for a person of letters—that of sitting down for hours at the typewriter. It sounds easy, but is hard when there are new places to see, music to listen to, an opera every night, and two on Sundays, friends to talk to, and a job to work at forty hours each week.

This last week was interesting, as we held our teachers' conference at Bad Nauheim which you can learn about in *I Was a Male Warbride*, I am told. (So far I have not attended a movie, not even a German one for the sake of language study. I would have gone to Hamlet with a German sound track but the Germans had bought all the tickets before I

heard about it. The girls in our office thought it wonderful.) Bad Nauheim is a famous spa, built up from about eighteen ninety to nineteen eleven to judge by the architecture, which is Late Victorian, and in the grand manner. I was on the other side of the fence this year, and in the administration that checks up on teacher attendance at such conferences. It was compulsory, but democratic, especially the secondary school conference chaired by Richard Meyering, a U. of Michigan man. This is always a work conference, with talks on current issues by teachers and others. The schools' combined Annual was planned, subjects and methods of teaching were discussed, and revision of courses of study was thrashed out. I could tell the high school teachers that they had fine libraries, as I had been evaluating them by North Central and American Library Association standards. Teachers coming from large high schools are critical of our collections, especially the English teachers who don't agree among themselves about what classic English and American novels should be provided. It will be fun to meet their criticism, but it might be better strategy to send a letter to the new recruits in the spring and have

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I wanted to be present at the Elementary School Conferences which were divided by school size, but there were too many. Their program called for short talks on many topics and did not lend themselves to discussion and questioning of policy.

Miss Imogene Talcott, who is working on the improvement of education in the schools of Germany, gave an interesting talk on her work. She pointed out the difficulties of loss of teachers and damage to buildings, and lack of materials. Teachers in Germany have never had general meetings. The faculty of each school acted together, but the caste system kept elementary and secondary and college teachers apart, also vocational and higher educational groups. Her colleagues have encouraged more collective planning and exchange of services. The boys in one trade school for painters were painting a practice wall over and over again. After the meetings, they are now re-painting the walls of all the schools, which were much in need of it, and the paint school is getting help from the others. You may remember that Mary Kelty was over here writing social studies books as co-author with German authors. These have been finished. She had many difficulties, but worked on her problems until her point was really accepted. Before, children studied Germany below the 7th and 8th grade. As many children leave school at that point, she wanted to work in world information, and finally managed it. She even worked a map into an end-paper design, although the German author refused to have a map in his book because the children would not understand it. She reported that the exchange educators whom you met in the States last year are helping wonderfully. They did see what was happening in the classroom in addition to the paper, pencil, and book supply. When their colleagues say, "It can't be done", they are replying, "We saw it being done in the United States," and it helps in planning ways of working up to changes here. She quoted one letter that praised the joy children took in going to school and working on their studies in the U.S. Also, how well they managed independently under democratic ideals. Just getting the children packed in is a prob-

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lem by itself. There are three shifts of children a day, also of teachers, I am delighted to report. However, the shifts continue from Monday through Saturday, and the children study at home. I see them hurrying off in the morning, each with a soup pail, and a book satchel. In fact they are my alarm clock some days when I have breakfast in my room.

I had a chance to talk to the Michigan people at the conference. Marjorie Brown of Reed City and Flint; Mr. Stevenson of Willow Run; Maryland Wilson, a Speech graduate; Mrs. Marble of Ypsilanti; Miss LaComte of East Lansing; to name a few. Oh, yes, Mildred Linck, too. They all are finding this year a fine experience. I keep thinking of more Michigan people, Harry Heiges, Joe Donohur, Margaret Sours. The world seems a small place after exchanging news with them.

One of the facts that I was delighted to learn was that Berlin needed my advice professionally. Everybody in Germany wants to go to Berlin now that the blockade is lifted, so travel there is rationed, and only those who have business or friends to put them up, can stay overnight. One has to get a clearance at Heidelberg and the orders are in English, German, and Russian. They need help in Bremerhaven, too, so I'll be going there before

Christmas. My schedule is in my own hands, with little pressure behind it, so that school visiting can be combined with week-end sight-seeing very nicely.

I am being spoiled for travel at home. Train travel isn't so different, because one has to take more trouble to get a free ticket than to buy one in the States. But it will be painful to go back to paying for a hotel room after just walking in with a set of orders, and peeling one off as payment. Some hotels charge a service fee of \$.25 a night, which is grand, for then there is no worry about whether to give the bellboy cigarettes or pfennig, and how many. The hotels, except the National here in Karlsruhe where I lived for the first month, are clean but the furniture is simple. A bed, a kitchen chair, a mirror, a table, and a wash-bowl with running water is the usual government issue. This is adequate for the short time one spends in a room.

This letter has lengthened out beyond my expectations, and I still have not said very much. Please write me your news. It is wonderful to get letters. Thanks to Mary Teeter, who had many professional contacts (she was librarian last year) my advertising mail is heavy, but I'm beginning to mind if I don't get a letter of my own mixed with it.

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## A DANISH LIBRARIAN LOOKS AT AMERICAN LIBRARIES

by Anna Morup

Under the sponsorship of the American Scandinavian Foundation I have the opportunity of working in different American libraries. It has been a most interesting experience and I shall go home with many lasting impressions.

I am now connected with the Michigan State Library's Reference department for three months. It is interesting to work with all kinds of requests coming in from libraries and individuals throughout the state and I am glad that the American Library Association recommended it to me as outstanding.

The first thing that struck me about American libraries was the buildings, many of them representing gifts of wealthy families. The second was the books, so attractive and colorful in their original bindings. The many efficient bibliographic tools and the rich professional literature are unknown to a small country. Technical aids from electric erasers to photo-charging and automatic sorting machines are all new to me. Audio-visual aids have not yet been incorporated in our libraries, where even mimeographing is of a very recent date.

Being Danish I must, however, mention something we do have: A library service similar to yours with public libraries throughout the country, university and special libraries, and the benefit of all libraries working together in a unified system with library service available to everyone.

The most remarkable thing to me here is the enthusiastic pioneering work in districts without libraries as well as in the modern research field. It is an inspiration and a challenge to see you handle your extremely varied problems. The woman librarian driving the bookmobile herself and visiting the one room school will be as real to me, when I return home as will the large university or public library with its differentiated services.

### LOCAL HISTORY GUIDE

A healthy interest in local history is growing in Michigan. New local historical societies are being founded, old ones are taking on a new liveliness, and towns, churches, industries are discovering how fascinating are the stories of their origins and development.

The writing of this kind of history is a congenial challenge to the local historian,

usually an enthusiastic amateur whose enthusiasm could do with some expert guidance. Karl Zeisler, of the Monroe Historical Society, gives such guidance in his 24-page booklet, *Your Community Writes Its History*. Written in the layman's vocabulary, the booklet suggests "alternate ways to reach the goal of a history of your community". It is thoroughly practical. It tells, for example, how a writing project can be set up, what features should be covered, how materials can be found and evaluated, how writing can be saved from the dullness of unimaginative statement. Especially valuable are the section "Main Points to Cover: The Highlights of Local History", and the critical bibliography of 34 items comprising sources of background history and examples of good jobs in the writing of local history.

Free copies of Mr. Zeisler's booklet can be obtained from Mrs. Esther Loughin of the Michigan State Library, Lansing 13. Every amateur historian should have a copy. It will save time and improve the product.

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### ON THE AIR

The Kalamazoo Public Library has started a weekly fifteen minute broadcast over station WGFG at 4 p.m. on Tuesday. William Chait, Librarian, and Martin Cohen, Community Group Counsellor, discuss informally the new materials received by the library. No script is prepared in advance and no rehearsal is held so that the program has the advantage of sounding spontaneous and enthusiastic. Every Monday afternoon, Mr. Chait and Mr. Cohen get together to decide how to divide the materials, but neither knows what the other is going to say until they are on the air. They take the books to the radio station and have them on a table right at the microphone where they talk about them. Records and films are brought into the discussion from notes made in advance and a prepared "Question of the Week" is read.

The listening public responded immediately after the first broadcast when a new resident who was managing a large retail establishment came in to get a book on store management which was mentioned. Other listeners have come in to obtain materials or have questions answered.



# **MICHIGAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION—BUDGET 1950** **BUDGET OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1950**

A. L. A. Membership -----		\$ 25.00
Executive Board and Advisory Council -----		300.00
Committees:		
Library Laws -----	\$ 25.00	
Elections -----	50.00	
Membership -----	100.00	
Legislative -----	1,000.00	
Auditing; Constitution; Federal Relations; Nominations; Planning; Publications; Salary; Staff & Tenure; Scholarships; Staff Associations; others -----	250.00	
Total -----		1,425.00
Districts -----		250.00
Sections -----		350.00
Michigan Librarian -----		2,000.00
Office Expense:		
Treasurer's Bonding Fee -----	\$ 12.50	
Clerical Aid for Officers -----	75.00	
Postage and Express -----	50.00	
Stationery and Supplies -----	100.00	
Telegraph and Telephone -----	50.00	
Total -----		287.50
Salary of Executive Secretary -----		750.00
Conference -----		1,000.00
Contingent Fund -----		210.68
TOTAL -----		\$6,598.18
<b>ESTIMATED INCOME 1950</b>		
Balance in bank December 5, 1949 -----		\$2,375.19
Including all accounts as follows:		
Original Scholarship fund -----	\$ 55.26	
Bement Memorial fund -----	1,035.60	
Packard trustee fund -----	746.15	
Total -----		1,837.01
Cash balance of general funds -----		538.18
Estimated expenditures to December 31, 1949		
Net cost of December issue of ML -----	200.00	
All other expenses -----	100.00	
Total -----		300.00
Estimated balance December 31, 1949 -----		238.18
Estimated income for 1950		
Dues, personal -----	3,500.00	
Dues, institutional -----	300.00	
Advertising -----	900.00	
Subscriptions and sale of copies of the Michigan Librarian -----	10.00	
Registration fees at Conference 1950 -----	500.00	
Returns from 1949 Conference -----	1,150.00	
Total -----		6,360.00
GRAND TOTAL OF ESTIMATED FUNDS FOR 1950 -----		\$6,598.18



# MICHIGAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION—TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1 — December 31, 1949

Balance in the treasury January 1, 1949 ----- \$2,854.44  
Including all funds

## RECEIPTS

Dues		
Personal -----	\$3,510.00	
Institutional -----	289.00	
Total -----		3,799.00
Contributions for Legislative State Aid -----		1,011.00
M. L. A. Directory -----		1.00
Gift for Committee Work -----		50.00
Michigan Librarian:		
Advertising -----	879.69	
Subscriptions -----	8.00	
Sale of Copies -----	3.86	
Total -----		891.55
Scholarship Refund -----		10.30
Conference Refund -----		150.00
Total Receipts -----		5,926.65
GRAND TOTAL -----		\$8,781.09

## DISBURSEMENTS

A. L. A. Membership -----		\$ 25.00
Committees:		
Legislative -----	\$1,925.72	
Auditing, etc. -----	115.16	
Elections -----	50.75	
Membership -----	57.76	
Total -----		2,149.39
Districts -----		238.26
Executive Board and Advisory Council -----		442.21
Office Expenses:		
Postage -----	15.00	
Stationery and Supplies -----	41.96	
Treasurer's bonding fee -----	12.50	
Telephone and Telegraph -----	6.85	
Total -----		76.31
Conference -----		\$ 122.88
Michigan Librarian -----		1,946.49
Sections -----		95.06
Scholarship -----		78.30
Packard Trustee Fund -----		182.19
Executive Secretary -----		884.22
TOTAL -----		\$6,240.31

NOTICE—May 1 is the deadline for the June MICHIGAN LIBRARIAN.

Please notify the Executive Secretary of M.L.A. in case of the following: 1—Change of address. 2—Failure to receive THE MICHIGAN LIBRARIAN. Address Mrs. Margaret Wylie, 341 Southlawn, East Lansing.

March 1950

## RECAPITULATION

Total receipts including all funds -----		\$8,781.09
January 1 — December 31, 1949 -----		
Total disbursements -----		6,240.31
January 1 — December 31, 1949 -----		
Balance on hand December 31, 1949 -----		\$2,540.78
Scholarship Fund -----	\$ 80.26	
Bement Memorial Fund -----	1,035.60	
Packard Trustee Fund -----	731.27	
General M. L. A. Funds -----	693.65	
Total -----		2,540.78
Packard Trustee Fund -----		
Cash in bank January 1, 1949 -----		913.46
Disbursed January 1 — December 31, 1949 -----		182.19
Balance December 31, 1949 -----		731.27

## RESULTS

Dorothy Hansen of the State Library reports results from the Book and Gavel Luncheon sponsored by the Public Relations Committee of M.L.A. in October in Lansing. The State Program Chairman of the Michigan Child Study Association wrote her for help in

preparing her program syllabus, saying she did not realize the extent to which librarians could be helpful to club members until she attended that luncheon. The unit Miss Hansen is asked to prepare is to be called "Using Our Library".

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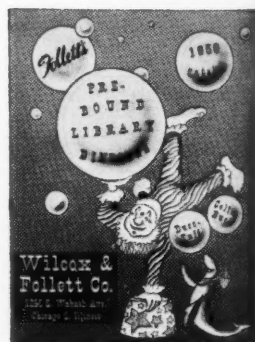
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